

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Thomas E. SLOWE et al.

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**Preliminary Amendment Filed with Request for Continued Examination**

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action (Office Action) dated **November 17, 2005**, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 11102005), and in response to the Advisory Action dated April 5, 2006, Applicants are filing the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE). In conjunction therewith, Applicants are also filing this Preliminary Amendment and response to the Office Action.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency, are

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hereby authorized to be charged, or any overpayments credited, to our Deposit Account  
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*Amendments*

**Amendments to the Claims** begin at Page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at Page 13 of this paper.